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BERLIN AND GERMANY--ASSESSMENT

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1. RE PARA (13) OF ASSESSMENT, DEPT AGREES THAT
PRESENT RELATIVE SOVIET RESTRAINT ON BERLIN ISSUES
MAY BE IN PART DUE TO TRANSIENT FACTORS SUCH AS THE

RECENT BREZHNEV VISIT. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE IT IS AT
BEST AN OPEN QUESTION WHETHER THE APPROACHING
TRANSITION IN THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP WOULD BE AN
ELEMENT FOR A MORE CONCILIATORY POLICY OR ONE WHICH WOULD
TEND TO IMMOBILIZE THE SOVIETS IN THEIR
CUSTOMARY CONTENTIOUSNESS ON BERLIN. ACCORDINGLY, DEPT
BELIEVES THAT "OR THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP
IS APPROACHING A PERIOD OF TRANSITION" SHOULD BE
DELETED FROM THE FINAL SENTENCE OF PARA (13).
IN SECOND LINE OF PARA (10), WE BELIEVE "ARE" SHOULD
BE CHANGED TO "MAY BE."

2. SUBJECT TO PARA 1, DEPT APPROVES TEXT OF ASSESSMENT
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